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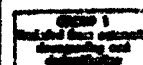
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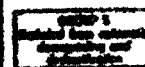
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2. THREE A-12 AIRCRAFT WILL BE DEPLOYED ON NON-STOP FLIGHT [REDACTED] TO KADENA. IF PLANNED SCHEDULE MADE GOOD THE FIRST AIRCRAFT WILL ARRIVE ON 22 MAY. THE ADDITIONAL TWO WILL ARRIVE ON 24 MAY AND 26 MAY RESPECTIVELY. THE RECEPTION TEAM WILL BE DISPATCHED IMMEDIATELY AND WILL BE IN PLACE AT KADENA BY 19 MAY. THE FIRST OPERATIONAL FLIGHT OVER NORTH VIETNAM COULD BE FLOWN AS EARLY AS 29 MAY. IT IS PLANNED TO CONDUCT REFUELINGS OF A-12 BY COORDINATING OFFICERS

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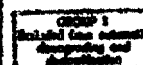
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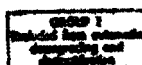
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